

State of Arizona **Department of Education**

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MEMORANDUM

To: School Health & Nutrition Program Sponsors

From: Mary Szafranski, Deputy Associate Superintendent

Arizona Department of Education, Health & Nutrition Services

Holly Mueller, Program Director

Arizona Department of Education, School Health & Nutrition Programs

Date: June 21, 2006

RE: Final release of the Arizona Nutrition Standards

To assist schools in creating a healthy school environment, it is our pleasure to release the final version of the Arizona Nutrition Standards. Please find two attachments enclosed, the final version of "The Arizona Nutrition Standards" and "A Quick Guide to the Arizona Nutrition Standards." On pages five and six are the written standards.

On pages 11 through 13 you will find the summary of recommendation from the stakeholder panel. All public comments and recommendations were evaluated by a stakeholder panel and incorporated into the final version as permitted by law. Please see Appendix A of the Arizona Nutrition Standards for a full report of the panel's recommendation.

The implementation of the standards will be <u>mandatory starting July 1, 2006</u> for grades K-8. Schools are encouraged to implement the standards in grades 9-12. Training for the standards will be offered at the A+ School Lunch trainings starting July 2006.

Additional copies of the proposed standards can be downloaded from the ADE website www.ade.az.gov/health-safety/cnp/nslp.

If you have any questions please call your assigned specialist at 602-542-8700.